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CERTIFIED MAIL RECEIPT # 8086

RE: Gulfco Marine Maintenance Superfund Site in Freeport Texas

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your September 27, 2004 offer regarding conduct or financing of the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS). The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) does not regard this offer as a good faith offer and thus will not extend the negotiation moratorium. The EPA intends to pursue conduct of the RI/FS by other means available to us.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (214) 665-2157.

Sincerely,

*Barbara A. Nann*

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